

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 32 – Fire Code of the Los Angeles County Code relating to film permitting and permit fees for the review, processing, and approval of motion picture, television, commercials and related productions, commercial still photography productions, fuel vehicle dispensing, and use of pyrotechnics and special effects.

Very truly yours,

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN
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04/29/10 (Requested)

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ORDINANCE NO. 2010-0047

An ordinance amending Title 32 – Fire Code of the Los Angeles County Code, relating to film permitting and permit fees for motion picture, television, commercials and related productions, commercial still photography productions, fuel vehicle dispensing, and pyrotechnics and special effects.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4601.3 is hereby amended to add in alphabetical order as follows:

4601.3 Definitions.

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COMMERCIAL STILL PHOTOGRAPHY PRODUCTION includes all activity attendant to the staging or shooting of commercial still photography to create photographic images for sale or use for a commercial purpose.

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SECTION 2. Section 4603.2.1 is hereby renumbered and amended to read as follows:

4603.2.14603.4 Permit fees.

Permit fees for permits required by Section 4603.2 and Appendix Chapter 1 Section 105.6 shall be collected for the issuance of the following permits:

1. ~~Permit to Dispense Fuel or Liquids on motion picture and television production locations. To dispense flammable or combustible liquids, liquefied petroleum gases, or compressed natural gas to vehicles and equipment on motion~~

~~picture and television production locations.~~Motion picture, television, commercials and related production filming. The permit fee shall be ~~forty (\$40.00)~~ two hundred eighty-two dollars (\$282).

2. ~~Permit for Motion Picture, Commercial, and Television Productions. To conduct motion picture, television, commercials, and related productions. The permit fee shall be one hundred four (\$104.00)dollars.~~

32. ~~Pyrotechnic and Special Effects. To use pyrotechnic special effects, open flame, flammable or combustible liquids and gases, and welding.~~Motion picture, television, commercials, and related production filming – Fuel-dispensing trucks and vehicles. The annual permit fee shall be ~~one hundred twenty five (\$125.00)~~two hundred twenty-three dollars (\$223).

43. ~~The parking of motor vehicles in any building or location used for the purpose of motion picture, television, and commercial production.~~Motion picture, television, commercials, and related production filming – Pyrotechnics and special effects. The permit fee shall be ~~one hundred twenty five (\$125.00)~~two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$288).

4. Commercial still photography production outside of an approved production facility and where the on-site cast and crew numbers fifteen (15) or more persons. The permit fee shall be two hundred seventy-seven dollars (\$277).

SECTION 3. Appendix Chapter 1 Section 105.6.18.1 is hereby renumbered and amended to read as follows:

105.6.18.1 105.6.47.2 Motion picture, television, commercials, and related production filming – Fuel-dispensing trucks and vehicles (film location).

An annual operational permit is required to dispense flammable or combustible liquids, liquefied petroleum gases, or compressed natural gas from trucks or vehicles to equipment and vehicles on motion picture, television, and commercial production locations. The permit fee shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars. The applicant is required to pay the annual permit fee amount shown in Section 4603.4(2) prior to permit issuance.

SECTION 4. Appendix Chapter 1 Section 105.6.29.2 is hereby renumbered and amended to read as follows:

105.6.29.2 105.6.47.1 Motion picture, television, commercials, and related production and other filming.

An operational permit is required to conduct motion picture, television, commercials, and related productions. The permit fee shall be one hundred four (\$104.00) dollars. outside of an approved production facility. The applicant is required to pay the permit fee amount shown in Section 4603.4(1) prior to permit issuance.

SECTION 5. Appendix Chapter 1 Section 105.6.47 is hereby amended to read as follows:

105.6.47 Additional permits.

In addition to the permits required by Appendix Chapter 1, Section 105.6, the following permits shall be obtained from the fire prevention division prior to engaging in

the following activities, operations, practices, or functions:

1. **Production facilities.** To change use or occupancy, or allow the attendance of a live audience, or for wrap parties.
2. **Motion picture, television, commercials, and related production filming - Pyrotechnics and special effects.** To use pyrotechnic special effects, open flame, hot work, use of flammable or combustible liquids and gases, dust, welding, and the parking of motor vehicles in any building or location used for the purpose of motion picture, television, and commercial production. ~~The permit fee shall be one hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars.~~ The applicant is required to pay the permit fee stated in Section 4603.4(3) prior to permit issuance.
3. **Live audiences.** To install seating arrangements for live audiences in approved production facilities, production studios, and sound stages. See Chapter 46.

SECTION 6. Appendix Chapter 1 Section 105.6.47.3 is hereby added to read as follows:

105.6.47.3 Commercial still photography production with cast and crew numbering fifteen (15) or more persons.

An operational permit is required to take still photographs for commercial purposes outside of an approved production facility and where the on-site cast and crew numbers fifteen (15) or more persons. The applicant is required to pay the permit fee amount stated in Section 4603.4(4) prior to permit issuance.

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SECTION 7. This ordinance shall only become operative upon the implementation of the Consolidated Fire Protection District's Public Safety and Film Unit Field Inspection Program, as documented by a memorandum from the Fire Chief to the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors.

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SECTION 8. This ordinance shall be published in The Daily Commerce a newspaper printed and published in the County of Los Angeles.



Mike Antonovich
Chairman Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Sachi A. Hamai
Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that at its meeting of October 26, 2010 the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County of Los Angeles by the following vote, to wit:

Ayes
Supervisors Mark Ridley-Thomas
Zev Yaroslavsky
Don Knabe
Michael D. Antonovich

Noes
Supervisors None

Effective Date: Pursuant to Section 7.

Operative Date: _____

Sachi A. Hamai
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Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that pursuant to Section 25103 of the Government Code, delivery of this document has been made.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Deputy



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